

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day.  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!  
-author unknown

## *Broken Chain*

We little knew that day,  
God was going to call your name.  
In life we loved you dearly,  
In death, we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you.  
You did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.

You left us beautiful memories,  
Your love is still our guide.  
And although we cannot see you,  
You are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken,  
And nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one,  
The chain will link again.

## *Celebration of Life for*



## *Edward Carrington, Jr.*

**Sunrise:**  
**June 3, 1948**

**Sunset:**  
**March 18, 2021**

**Friday, March 26, 2021 - 1:00 pm**

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**  
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**Rev. Barry L. Graham, Officiating**

## *Acknowledgement*

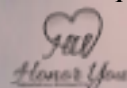
The family of the late **Edward Carrington, Jr.** wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.  
May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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## Obituary

Edward Carrington Jr., of Lawrence, New Jersey, was born on June 3, 1948 in Halifax County, Virginia to the late Marie (Torian) Watkins and the late Edward Carrington Sr. Edward, known affectionately to many as Eddie.

Eddie received his elementary and secondary education in South Boston, Virginia and Alexandria, Virginia, and later attended Virginia State College. He channeled his learning into action by proudly serving in the U.S. Army as a private during the Vietnam War.

After his service, Eddie became a 'transportation engineer' as he liked to call it, for many years, in the truck driving industry. Before his retirement from the Metropolitan Trucking Company, he received numerous awards and certifications for safe driving, including the highest achievement of 2 million miles without an accident. He loved driving and always said he would keep on trucking well into his 90s.

Anyone who knew Eddie, knew that he loved sports. He was an avid football fan, and everyone knew not to interrupt him during the game that he often enjoyed with his favorite foods and a little bit of Hennessy. He also was a proud member of

the Yonkers Elks Lodge (I.B.P.O.E of W) and several bowling leagues.

He departed this life on Thursday, March 18, 2021.

Eddie was preceded in death by both parents and his younger siblings as follows: Philip Carrington, James Carrington, and Donna Marie Williams.

He leaves to cherish precious memories his beloved wife of thirty-three years, Edwina J. Carrington; his sons, Sean (Kia) Massenburg of South Boston, Virginia, Edward Charles Carrington III of Lawrence, New Jersey; one daughter, Courtney Marie Carrington of Boston, Massachusetts; one granddaughter, Yazmin Shamia Massenburg of South Boston, Virginia. He also leaves one brother, Ronald (Alicia) Carrington of South Boston, Virginia; a devoted niece, Brittany Williams; an aunt, Juanita Torian of Alexandria, Virginia; in-laws, Ann Carrington, Darrellin (Vernon) Daniels, Joel (Jannette) Daniels, and Beth Daniels; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other beloved relatives.

## Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgments

Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort  
Rev. Barry L. Graham  
Canaan Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

Recessional

Final Disposition  
Cedar Lawn Crematory  
Paterson, New Jersey